

# THE CHATHAM CHATTER

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## MARINE COLUMN

by Sam Rogers

The Chatham Yacht Club in Pleasant Bay held their final Ladies' Race last Tuesday. Louise McClenan won by four minutes while Pat Johnson and Betty Summers fought it out for second. Betty finally passed Pat but was disqualified because of a right of way rule. The final series standing is: first, Louise McClenan; second, Pat Johnson; third, Betty Summers.

The Cup Races in the bay are still offering much competition. Don Leary in his Mercury, although not outstanding, has been consistent enough to keep ahead in his standing. Ray Rogers has been pressing him but not seriously.

In Stage Harbor, Archie MacLay seems to be the man of the moment. His standings in both the Sunday Cup and Children's series are first. Dick Hovey has been doing well, especially in heavy weather, but has not been able quite to keep up with Archie. Your hacker of a Marine Editor at the moment happens to be third even though he was disqualified two Sundays ago.

In Handicap Class B, our Editor in Chief, Louis Gilbert, is trailing Eddie Yoaw. Last Sunday the races were unofficial because of the fact that the tow of catboats that went to Nantucket was unable to return in time. Cont'd pg. 2

## C. OF C. INVITES SUMMER RESIDENTS TO OPEN MEETING.....

C.H.S. Auditorium - August 21

The Chatham Chamber of Commerce has invited all summer residents of the town to attend an open meeting for the discussion of various issues of importance in Chatham. The meeting will be held next Thursday night at 8 P.M. in the Chatham High School Auditorium. For the information of summer residents the Chamber was found last June as a union of the local business men to succeed the old Chatham Board of Trade. It is hoped that at the meeting the summer residents who pay sixty-two per cent of the town's taxes will let their opinions be known on matters of vital interest.

U.S.O. DRIVE STARTS AUGUST 18

The United Service Organization Drive will be officially opened next Monday night with a broadcast over the Cape Radio Station WOCB, West Yarmouth. Russell Harmon, U. S.O. regional director, Colonel

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## THE CHATHAM CHATTER GOES ON RADIO

Summary Each Thurs. at 4:05

Beginning yesterday and continuing until the end of September The Chatham Chatter, the only newspaper published in Chatham, is presenting a weekly summary of the news over WOCB, --con. p. 2

STANDARD CHARTER

SUBSCRIBER HAS GOOD LUCKChatter First To Bring Good News

In one of those "too good to be true" stories the Chatham Chatter was the first to bring lucky Chatter subscriber, Miss Myra Bodwell, Jain Street, South Chatham, the news that she had won the Harold Brett painting at the Military-Memery-Go-Round that was held at the end of July. The Chatter had been running a circulation drive in So. Chatham early that day and when Miss Bodwell's name was called out members of the staff immediately recognized the name. At eleven o'clock in the evening Miss Bodwell was informed of her luck and was given directions on how to claim the valuable painting over the telephone by Chatter editor, Louis B. Gilbert.

MARINE COLUMN---Cont'd from pg.1

The wind, as most of the Cape knows, was exceedingly strong. (Ed. Note: Our modest Marine has written this story by request of the editor. We are sure our readers will be interested)

Your Marine editor was sailing home from Nantucket in a Wianno Senior Saturday night when the storm broke. Rufus Walker and myself were right off the Handkerchief Shoal Lightship when all of a sudden, without warning, the squall hit us from the northwest. In a few seconds our spinnaker had blown through and we were in irons in mountainous seas. While I was trying to man the helm, Walker rigged a jib in the pitch black. He was dipped under water several times as waves broke over the boat. We were both conscious of the fact that if one of us fell overboard, it would be almost impossible for one man to handle the boat and recover the other.

With this in view we tied lines around our waists and lashed ourselves aboard. Steering a compass course was now out of the question-so-blindly we started to beat up toward Harwich. Through holes in the driving rain we had glimpses of lights but we couldn't make out what they were. The three red lights on the R.C.A. radio mast gave us a scare as we thought at first they were the running lights of a tugboat coming up the ship channel. We soon realized our error and laughed about it all the way back. At about 4.30 A.M. the rain began to die and the rain increased. Suddenly the rain let up and we saw through the gloom the blinker on the end of the broadcaster at Wychmere Harbor. Never did land seem so good to me as it did then.

RADIO PROGRAM-- XCont'd from pg. 1240 on your dial at 4.05 P.M. The Chatter will also flash special bulletins to WOCB when news of importance occurs. Sunday race results will be broadcast at 7.15 Sunday evening.

CHATHAM BROADCAST TO ENGLAND

Chatham, U.S.A. will greet its cousin Chatham, England, in a broadcast over WOCB and short wave station WRUL, Boston, next Thursday, August 21, at 4.45 P.M. An incomplete list of the prominent speakers who will appear in the program include: President Charles Seymour of Yale, Select Edwin Eldredge, Dean Arthur W. Tarbell and Joshua Nickerson, member of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce.

U.S.O. DRIVE- K.C. McArthur and Private James Howard will speak. The program will begin at 8:05.

The Chatter feels that two major issues should be discussed at the C. of C. meeting: zoning and the granting of additional liquor licenses.



